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FOR: GENERAL WALTERS

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APPLY

FROM: GENERAL HAIG

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MESSAGE TO BE DELIVERED TO MAJOR GENERAL WALTERS,
U. S. MILITARY ATTACHE, AT OPENING OF BUSINESS, TUESDAY,
SEPTEMBER 14. TEXT OF MESSAGE TO BE CODED.

Please contact Chinese Ambassador to Paris on September 14
if possible or not later than September 15 and deliver orally repeat
orally the following message. Please confirm when message has been
delivered:

Quote: The President agrees that Mr. Kissinger's interim visit
to China should take place for four days starting October 20.

He also agrees to the text of the announcement proposed by the
Chinese side.

The date of the announcement is however inconvenient. The
reasons are as follows:

1. The date proposed by the Chinese Government may
make the announcement appear as a reaction to the visit in the United
States by the Soviet Foreign Minister as already explained by Mr. Kissinger.
2. Since the visit is public certain preparations in logistics,
scheduling and organizing the group for the visit have to be made which
cannot be started until after the announcement.

The President would, therefore, appreciate it if the Government
of the People's Republic of China would agree to the announcement on

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September 22, 23, or October 4 in that order of preference. (The date would be Washington time and the hour 10:00 a.m.) Unquote.

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